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For: WASHING MACHINE WITH ION ELUTING

AND IMBALANCE CORRECTING UNITS

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 10, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims

Remarks/Arguments